

October 6, 2000

Tina Pearson
Resident Manager
Essex Plaza One Company
1060 Broad Street
Newark, New Jersey 07101

Ms. Pearson:

This letter is in response to your notice to me dated October 6th, 2000. Please note that I have lived in this building for five years and at no time has anyone made an issue about me having a pet. The only time anyone complained in the entire five years was Wednesday, October 4th when Carol Walker, your Assistant Manager, was visiting her parents who recently moved into Apartment 454. I heard her screaming and when I came to see what the problem was, she stated that she was afraid of cats and wanted to know if management knew that I had cats. I assured her that it was common knowledge that I did and she then told me that I would have to pay to keep them. The fee I have learned is \$300.00 and \$25.00 a month in addition to the rent.

Furthermore it has been proven that small animals are beneficial to the lives of Seniors and I cannot believe that in this enlightened time, management would object to anything that improves the lives of Seniors.

In addition, a foul substance has been poured in the garbage room on Thursday, October 5th and Friday, October 6th.

I believe that I am being harrassed because I am a member of the newly formed Essex Plaza One Tenants Association and if these acts continue, we will bring charges against your organization.

I tried to make an appointment with you today to discuss this matter with you but you hung up without allowing me to do so. When I tried to call back, you did not answer your phone so I left you a message to call me and give me an appointment. I trust that you will do this since you have not given me ample time to arrange my schedule if I must take care of this matter by October 10, 2000.

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cc: Frank Hutchins-Newark Tenants Coalition ✓